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Representing Hawaii in the United States is the greatest honor of my life. To bring the values of our island people to the nation's capitol is an awesome responsibility. It is a humbling experience to stand on the floor of the people's House knowing that I have been entrusted with the hopes and aspirations of Hawaii's families.

Making the case for Hawaii is always a challenge. We are a small state, geographically distant, socially unique, and seldom foremost in the thoughts of people on the mainland. It is sometimes difficult to convince them that Hawaii has problems and needs just like any other state.

Yet I am fortunate to be part of one of the most effective teams in Washington – the Hawaii Congressional Delegation. We have secured billions of dollars for the military in Hawaii, projects that enhance the nation's defense and strengthen our economy. We are meeting the human needs of our people through health programs, support for education, and funding for youth centers. Senator Inouye's leadership, our collective seniority, and our unshakable unity make all the difference in the world.

We're asking the people of Hawaii to keep their team together. We are proud of our record of producing results for our state. But we have much left to do, such as securing justice for Native Hawaiians for passing the Akaka bill. We believe we have earned your support, we have proven we can deliver, and that's why we ask for your vote.

